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SUBJ: 30TH UNGA--AGENDA ITEM 63: UNDRO

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1. FOLLOWING COMMENTS ON IRANIAN DRAFT RES THIS SUBJECT
BASED ON INFORMAL MEETING OF INTERESTED COUNTRIES (IRAN,
BANGLADESH, FRG, THE NETHERLANDS, NORWAY, AND US.) AND
A SUBSEQUENT MEETING WITH BERKOL AND STAFF.

(A) IT IS NOT THE INTENT TO ESTABLISH A NEW UN
DISASTER FUND BUT TO EXPAND THE PRESENT TRUST FUND ACCOUNT
FOR STRENGTHENING UNDRO TO COVER TWO ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES:
(1) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOR DISASTER PREVENTION AND PRE-
PAREDNESS (TARGET OF 6 HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR 1976//
1977 BIENNIUM) AND (2) VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS TO SUPPLEMENT
THE UN REGULAR BUDGET ALLOCATIONS FOR EMERGENCY RELIEF (TARGET
OF 4 HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR 1976-1977). IT IS ALSO EN-
VISAGED THAT THE REGULAR UN BUDGET ALLOCATION FOR EMERGENCY
ASSISTANCE (4 HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS PER BIENNIUM) BE INCOR-
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PORATED IN THE EXPANDED TRUST FUND ACCOUNT. (COMMENT: IRANIANS

ARE WORKING WITH BERKOL'S STAFF TO REVISE DRAFT RES SO AS TO CLARIFY THE ABOVE.)

(B) RES WILL PROPOSE TO INCREASE EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE CEILING TO 30 THOUSAND DOLLARS PER COUNTRY PER DISASTER.

(C) SYG COMMITTEE OF DISTINGUISHED PERSONS TO ASSIST IN FUND RAISING IS AN IRANIAN INITIATIVE. COMMITTEE IS TO BE STRICTLY VOLUNTEER OPERATION WITH NO FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS FOR UN. FUND RAISING WOULD BE FOR GENERAL DISASTER RELIEF INCLUDING CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE EXPANDED TRUST ACCOUNT. (COMMENT: IRANIAN REP TOLD MISOFF THAT IDEA ORIGINATED AT HIGHEST LEVELS OF GOI AND WAS ONE TO WHICH THEY ATTACHED GREAT IMPORTANCE.)

(D) BERKOL'S STAFF HAS PROPOSED THE FOLLOWING REWORDING OF OP PARA 9: "REQUESTS ALL UN AND OTHER BODIES CONCERNED TO COOPERATE WITH THE OFFICE OF THE UNDRO IN THE FORMULATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL STRATEGY FOR DISASTER PREVENTION, AT WHICH UNDRO HAS BEEN WORKING FOR THE PAST TWO YEARS, AND IN DUE TIME TO ASSIST IN THE DISSEMINATION OF THE RESULTS ACHIEVED."

2. REQUEST DEPARTMENT REVIEW CURRENT INSTRUCTIONS IN LIGHT OF ABOVE.
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